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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Before beginning examination, please amend the above-identified application as

follows:

## **IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

On page 1, just after the title, please insert the following paragraph:

-- This is the U.S. National Stage of PCT/FI00/00583, filed June 28, 2000, which was

filed in the English language.--

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the amended claims from the International Preliminary Examination Report Annexes as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of identifying an object having an identification means, comprising

receiving at a mobile station an authorization signal indicating a point of time allowed for transmission of an identification request signal,

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